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**Re:** Re: Applicants: Bernd Gugel, et al.  
U.S. Patent Appln. No. ~~10/784,677~~ 10/784,677  
Filing Date: February 23, 2004  
Our Docket: 10854ABCD

**COMMENTS:**

RE: U.S. Serial # 10/784,677

Dear Tony Hakim:

As you requested, transmitted herewith is a copy of the signed Request for Continued Examination (RCE), which was timely filed electronically via the USPTO e-filing website on March 20, 2007.

Kindly advise if you have any questions or need anything further with respect to the foregoing.

Best regards,

Leopold Presser

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Application Number	10784677	Filed Date	04-02-23	Docket Number (if applicable)	10854ABCD	Art Unit	3732
First Named Inventor	Bernd Gugel, et al.			Examiner Name	John J. Wilson		

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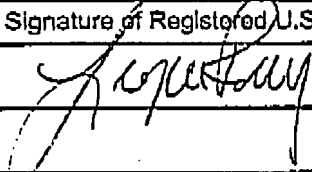
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